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**(37 C.F.R. 1.311)**

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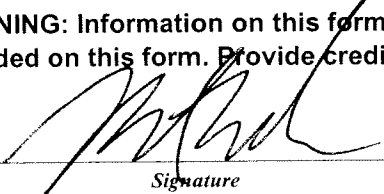
Invention: **Methods, Systems and Compositions for Fire Retarding Substrates**

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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR FIRE RETARDING SUBSTRATES

| APPLN. TYPE    | SMALL ENTITY | ISSUE FEE DUE | PUBLICATION FEE DUE | PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE | TOTAL FEE(S) DUE | DATE DUE   |
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